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For: SURFACE-MODIFIED METAL OXIDES

METHODS FOR PRODUCTION AND USE THEREOF IN COSMETIC PREPARATIONS

Examiner: B. S. Frazier

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Enclosures** include a Petition for a second and a third month Extension of Time.